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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION recognizing Todd Webster, Tyler Webster, Matthew Wirtz, Ben Groeneweg, Mike Kiester, and Ted Nitza.

Whereas, Todd Webster, Tyler Webster, Matthew Wirtz, Ben Groeneweg, Mike Kiester, and Ted Nitza traveled a great distance in order to help those in need;

Whereas, City Utilities employees Matthew Wirtz, Ben Groeneweg, Mike Kiester, and Ted Nitza along with Todd Webster and Tyler Webster traveled to La Vega, Guatemala, a village of about 900 people with intermittent electricity and only one well to supply clean water;

Whereas, The village of La Vega is typical of 51 percent of Guatemala, where the residents live in poverty and where only about 25 percent of water systems disinfect the water they deliver to homes and businesses;

Whereas, Before the arrival of the team, La Vega had a year-round well that was hand-dug about 25 or 30 feet and was located only 50 feet from a latrine;

Whereas, Living Water International, a religious nonprofit from Houston, researched the project and provided the drill rig, and Todd Webster, Tyler Webster, Matthew Wirtz, Ben Groeneweg, Mike Kiester, and Ted Nitza and others provided the labor;

Whereas, The team worked 12 hour days but was repaid



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many times over by the kindness of the villagers;

Whereas, Before long the team was pumping air down the well to clean the drilling water out, sending a spray of water into the streets, and the children into the streets to dance and chant Aqua! Aqua!; and

Whereas, These compassionate and loving Hoosiers are shining examples of the people throughout our state: Therefore,

> Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly thanks Todd Webster, Tyler Webster, Matthew Wirtz, Ben Groeneweg, Mike Kiester, and Ted Nitza for their service to those in need and their willingness to travel far away and live under intense heat and questionable conditions to help a village improve its living conditions.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Todd Webster, Tyler Webster, Matthew Wirtz, Ben Groeneweg, Mike Kiester, and Ted Nitza and their families.

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